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## DOCKERS' STRIKE MEDIATION.

### SPECIAL INQUIRY COURT.

#### LABOUR MINISTER'S EFFORTS.

#### CUTTING THE PARTIES TOGETHER.

#### SAFEGUARDING VITAL NATIONAL SUPPLIES.

(Reuters' General Service.)

LONDON, February 18.  
In the House of Commons, the Minister of Labour, Mr. Shaw, announced that it had been decided to appoint a court of enquiry under the Industrial Courts Act to enquire into the causes and circumstances of the dock strike. The chairman would be Mr. Holman Gregory, K.C.

Meanwhile he would try to get the parties to meet again with a view to coming to an agreed settlement.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald said the Government would not fail to take the necessary steps to secure the transport of necessary food supplies. It had already established the nucleus of an organisation.

Mr. Macdonald added, amid general cheers, an expression of hope that nothing would be said in the House of Commons to make difficult the only thing that really mattered—namely, a settlement of the dispute.

#### PROFITEERS WARNED.

LONDON, February 18.  
A sharp warning to food profiteers is contained in a Cabinet communiqué which declares that there is no reason for increases as high as 50 per cent in meat and other prices, of which the Government has received information from various quarters.

The Cabinet intimates that it has requested the law officers to draft emergency measures to prevent the exploitation of consumers during the present strike.

#### CONFLICTING STATEMENTS.

LONDON, February 18.  
The employers assert that work is in full swing in some London docks with ample men, and fairly generally at others.

[Earlier cables reported Mr. Bevin had stated that the dockers at all the provincial ports are out solidly, and practically all the dockers at London had struck, despite instructions from other unions.]

#### DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

SYDNEY, February 18.  
The Tennis Council has approved the Davis Cup team cabled yesterday, with Patterson as captain.

[Yesterday's cable stated that the selectors had recommended that Patterson, O'Hara Wood, Schlesinger, and Kalms should represent Australia for the Davis Cup.]

NEW YORK, February 18.  
South Africa has challenged for the Davis Cup.

#### ONE DICTATOR LESS.

BERLIN, February 18.  
Dr. von Kahr's resignation is attributed to disagreement with the Bavarian Ministry and his connection with the impending trial of General Ludendorff and Adolf von Hitler, also with certain British representations with regard to the Palatinate.

[An earlier cable stated that the Bavarian dictator, Dr. von Kahr, had resigned. General von Lossow, commander of the Bavarian Reichswehr, has also resigned.]

#### "ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE."

#### SOVIET'S HEAVY HAND.

RIGA, February 18.  
A message from Moscow states that a Soviet tribunal has sentenced to death Professor Clair, of Ekaterinburg University, for economic espionage in supplying French capitalists with information concerning the platinum industry in the Urals.

The sentence has since been commuted to ten years' imprisonment and confiscation of the Professor's belongings.

#### WAR DEBT POLICY.

#### AMERICA STILL WAITS.

WASHINGTON, February 18.  
The Government's war debt policy remains unchanged, after to-day's conference of the debt funding commission, which failed to act on the proposal that debtor governments should again be reminded that the United States is awaiting their funding proposals.

#### CHILD LABOUR.

#### BRINGING JAPAN INTO LINE.

The following three agreements adopted at the third International Labour Conference and accepted by the Privy Council of Japan on June 27 last year are to be ratified, says the "Osaka Asahi," after the promulgation of the order for the enforcement of the Factory Law:

1.—Agreement establishing the minimum age of children to be employed in industry, and it is stated that he is only slightly indisposed. In regard to the political situation, he urges the appointment of a new leader of the Liberal party, but both the Conservative and Democratic Liberal insist that he should remain the leader.

2.—Agreement fixing the minimum age of minors to be engaged as seafarers.

3.—Agreement respecting the physical examination of children in the marine service.

### DENBY RESIGNS.

#### LATEST OIL LEASE SCANDAL TURN.

#### PRESIDENT'S HAND FORCED.

#### ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S POSITION INSECURE.

(Reuters' American Service.)

WASHINGTON, February 18.

President Coolidge has accepted the resignation of Mr. Denby, Secretary of the Navy.

LATER.

President Coolidge in a letter accepted Mr. Denby's resignation regretfully.

Mr. Denby was not only party to the oil leases which he signed with Mr. Fall, then Secretary of the Interior, but has repeatedly defended his part in the proceedings. He has publicly declared since the controversy arose that he believes the contracts were legal.

It was therefore pointed out to the President that it might appear inconsistent to retain a member of the Administration holding these views, while the Administration was preparing to take action to annul the leases on the ground that they were made without the authority of the law.

Mr. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of Navy, after conferring with Mr. Denby, had half an hour's interview with the President at the White House, after which Mr. Roosevelt announced that he would not resign.

#### STUPIDITY ALLEGED.

LATER.

The resignation of Mr. Denby followed telephonic communication with President Coolidge in the course of which the situation as regards the naval oil leases scandal was briefly discussed in the light of information conveyed to the President by the Republican leaders of the Senate.

There has been considerable speculation whether Mr. Denby would actually resign despite this Senate's resolution demanding his resignation, in view of the strong support President Coolidge accorded him by saying that the Senate, "playing politics," had overstepped the mark.

[Earlier cables stated that it was stupidity, not venality, that was charged against Mr. Denby.]

#### DAUGHERTY RESIGNING.

WASHINGTON, February 18.

It is understood that the possible resignation of the Attorney-General, Mr. Daugherty, will be discussed at to-morrow's Cabinet meeting.

CHICAGO, February 18.

Supporters of Mr. McAdoo have unanimously approved his candidature for the Presidency.

Officials of many railway and Labour unions have also passed resolutions that his candidature is unimpaired by the oil developments.

#### SPECIAL COUNSEL.

WASHINGTON, February 18.

The Senate has confirmed the appointment of Mr. Owen J. Roberts as Government Counsel in the oil leases case.

#### NAURU ISLAND LABOUR.

LONDON, February 18.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Black, who had suggested that steps be taken to secure henceforth that Chinese contract labour employed in Nauru Island Phosphate mining should only be recruited under a proviso that a certain proportion of womenfolk should accompany the men, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Minister of Colonies, said that the British phosphate commissioner had informed him that many Chinese were offered free accommodation for their wives at the island, and hitherto the social prejudices of the Chinese had prevented more than very few women taking advantage of the offer.

#### INDIA'S POLITICS.

DELHI, February 18.

The debate in the Assembly ended in the adoption of a resolution in favour of calling a round-table conference to prepare a scheme for a further constitutional advance. The resolution was carried by 76 to 48 votes, amidst Swarajists cheers.

#### MUST PAY.

London, February 18.

Asked whether the Government was in favour of demanding payment of reparations from Germany, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald replied in the affirmative, amid Opposition cheers.

#### CONSIGNERS' NOTICES.

Cargo arrived per a.s. "Java" remaining undelivered after to-morrow will be subject to rent. Agents—John Manners & Co., Ltd.

Many topics were discussed at the various conferences organised by associations connected with education and the teaching profession, meetings taking place in London, Blackpool and Nottingham.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1924, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1923.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 11th February to SATURDAY, 23rd February, 1924 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on the day and at the place aforesaid immediately upon the termination of the Ordinary Yearly Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following resolution vis:—

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Corporation to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to effect the Ordinance under which the Corporation is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the ordinary note issue of the Corporation being increased from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000 and to modify the existing requirements as regards the deposit of security in respect of its note issue in the following manner.

(a) So that the whole of the income (namely \$10,000,000) of such ordinary note issue shall be secured by coin or bullion or approved securities.

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A. G. STEPHEN,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 4th February, 1924.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from THURSDAY the 21st February 1924, until THURSDAY 28th February 1924, both days inclusive.

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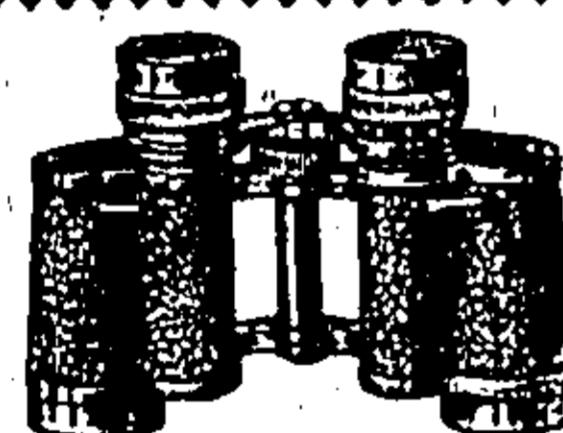
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## BIRTH.

CLIFTON.—On February 14, 1924, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Clifton, a daughter.

## MARRIAGE.

BEAUCHAMP-NICHOLL.—At St. John's Cathedral, on the 18th February, 1924, Richard Ralph, son of the late Sir Sidney Beauchamp of 8, William Street, London and Lady Beauchamp of Salters Meadow, Penn, to Sarah Millicent, youngest daughter of the late William and Sarah Dakers Nicholl.

## DEATH.

D'ALMEIDA.—On February 14, 1924, at Shanghai, Tony, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. d'Almeida, at the age of one year and four months.

TORKILDSEN.—On February 14, 1924, at Shanghai, Gerhard Sofus Torkildsen, Norwegian Chief Officer, aged 47 years.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG TUESDAY, FEB. 19, 1924.

## CONVOYS.

Were we not given to levity—or only inclined to make use of it when the spirit moves us—we should be inclined to doubt that a certain gentleman with a consignment of rejuvenation glands did so, in a large measure, can the

successful attempts at piracy be traced to the same source. We can imagine the John Silvers of Kwangtung being thrown on the horns of a dilemma at this move of the Government, and looking around for fresh seas to scour and ships to scuttle. It may be that the depredations may be confined to the mainland and "My Government" have but another thorn in its flesh to extract. The system of convoys means an outlay of a kind never previously contemplated. Is the Colony to be saddled with the extra expense of the work of our Navy in this particular respect, or are taxpayers at home to have their heavy load of taxation added to? It is an important matter and one that brings into sharp relief the important question of an early peace in China. The system is weak in that it provides for safety on two courses, leaving out those others on which ships come and go. But who is there to advocate convoys on every trade route? We certainly do not. Rather than that we would almost reconcile ourselves to a blowing up of the countryside as advocated in these columns by an irate correspondent some time ago.

added to. Mr. Chatham went, to be succeeded by Mr. Perkins who seemingly carried on the old traditions. He has gone to be succeeded by Mr. Creasey from Colombo. We imagine it impossible for a new Director of Public Works to initiate a new regime in such a department as the P.W.D. Doubtless he grasps the reins and guides the chariot with perhaps a keener sense of enthusiasm. Mr. Irving is about to depart, having likened himself with regard to one part of the organisation he has controlled as a "mascot on the bonnet"—a not particularly happy simile. His successor will come to a department in a most interesting stage, a stage demanding constant care and attention. Lastly there is Commander Beckwith whose tenure of the Harbour Mastership has been characterised with a breezy vigour. The names we have mentioned represent diversity of gifts—but we are sure gifts dominated by the same spirit—the efficiency of their departments and the welfare of the Colony as a whole. They have reflected the true incorruptible spirit of the British Civil Service. If there is virtue in doing well for probably work well paid, they deserve all the good things that recently have been said of them. We may add our quota to that which has already been expressed. But ours is not for what they did—they got paid for that—but for the manner in which they did it.

## A Dock Strike.

A dock strike may be no worse than any other kind of strike. On the other hand it may be the worst form of strike that the mind of man can conceive—and without troubling to think too deeply on the matter we are prepared to say that it is. Many strikes have a local connection only. Not so a dock or a dockers strike. Such a strike is almost bound to make itself felt the world over—just as much in Hongkong as in New York—causing as much damage and worry as it does to those who partake in it for some principle or other. The piece good merchant has sold so many cases of white shirtings for delivery by a certain month. The cables have flashed the order, and Manchester has set itself to "fill" it. But dock strike prevents shipment and as the contract made in Hongkong stipulates for a time delivery, the Chinese buyer feels justified in refusing delivery of the goods when they do not reach him within scheduled time. This is a simple illustration and can be duplicated in regard to the numerous things which the Chinese market buys. Perhaps only in a seaport town can the awfulness of such a strike be realised. Dockers are not necessarily University or educated men. Their passions are easily roused and their view of their own case becomes jaundiced and out of all proportion to the true state of things. A strike of this nature generally lasts until Union funds run out or are on the verge of so doing. The men having time on their hands, brood—and like a Repertory Actor they continue brooding—often with disastrous effect. Rioting is not unknown and those ugly rushes in the dark on, partially protected shop premises become a fact. The mounted police and perhaps the military are called out, and innocent people are embroiled in the ruinous effect of a strike which perhaps ought never to have been. This is not a fanciful sketch. We have seen such a strike in operation with the incidents as mentioned. In this day of alleged enlightenment the word strike should be unheard of in the vocabulary of trade and commerce. Arbitration is the word. We are slowly coming to that stage, but we shall not arrive until those most concerned realise that like war strikes may be futile and unnecessary things. We have now a Parliament of the Nations almost. Someday perhaps we shall have a world parliament of Labour—or if that is "too ambitious a Parliament of Labour (outside the House of Commons we mean), where capital and labour may in some way discuss those matters which affect both sides of the House to their mutual advantage. Our Levers and our Caribous in their profit sharing and human fellowship have shown us how things can be done.

## Patting.

How many of us notice the changes that are taking place in the Colony. We do not mean in its physical aspect—the changes there are great indeed—but in the official life of the place. In the space of a very short time the Colony, by resignations due to ill-health or the arrival of the age limit, has parted with, or is about to do so, three of its highest officials; and in the course of a few weeks this number will be

added to. The Labour Government will doubtless attempt many administrative economies and apply a keen axe to certain government departments. One will doubtless be the Ministry of Pensions whose state is now 23,552 an increase of 633 on a year ago. This seems remarkable and more so when it is realised that the Government paid 400,000 less pensions last year.

The ways in which application forms for insurance are filled up are often more amusing than enlightening, as the British Medical Journal shows in the following selection of examples:

"Mother died in infancy."  
"Father went to bed feeling well, and the next morning woke up dead."

"Grandfather died suddenly at the age of 103. Up to this time he had failed to reach a ripe old age."

"Applicant does not know anything about maternal posterity, except that they died at an advanced age."

"Applicant does not know cause of mother's death, but states that she fully recovered from her last illness."

"Applicant has never been fatally sick."

"Applicant's brother, who was an infant, died when he was a mere child."

"Grandfather died from gunshot wound, caused by an arrow shot by an Indian."

"Applicant's fraternal parents died when he was a child."

"Mother's last illness was caused from chronic rheumatism, but she was cured before death."

What is the latest of FASHIONS, we are certain, do not know. How they are regulated we are not quite aware of either, although a lady reader enlightens us somewhat and tells us how certain fashions came into being years ago. Thus Queen Victoria wore long skirts because her feet were big, and short sleeves because her arms were shapely. Marie Antoinette introduced the handkerchief because she had some molars extracted and as in those days there were no such things as false teeth she used the piece of linen to hold to her mouth to hide the gap shown every time the Court Jester popped over a good one. It all sounds very reasonable. But when we apply it to the short skirt vogue of 1923 and remember the "spindles" silk-hosed to our view, we begin to wonder. Fashions for men are another thing—although here again we profess ignorance. Of golf fashions we are assured that a certain style of dress is only for the plump man. No one expects or wants to see a thin man dressed in plus fours!

Signor Mussolini has said it and we are inclined to believe it. "Do not imagine," he is quoted as saying, "that the people like to see the men at the head of affairs shabbily dressed. On the contrary, they love to see their leaders clothed in scarlet and making a show!"

For a moment or so attention has been drawn to the work of Mr. Howard Carter on the tomb of Tutankhamen. Readers will remember the death of the leader of the expedition, Lord Carnarvon who must be figured amongst the greatest of the world's Egyptologists. The Earl came from cultured stock. There is a story current regarding his father who was a Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. On one occasion when attending the commencement exercises at Trinity College, Dublin, the public orator, as was the custom, first delivered a laboriously prepared eulogy in Latin. At the close the students called on the Lord Lieutenant for a speech. Thereupon he arose and obviously without preparation addressed his audience fluently in the same language for some ten or fifteen minutes—an evidence of scholarship, a little beyond the ordinary.

The Times quotes SIMPLICITY. someone as having said that simplicity is a much misunderstood word. Ralph Waldo Emerson has two oft-quoted aphorisms on the matter: "Nothing is more simple than greatness; indeed, to be simple is to be great" and "To be simple is to be misunderstood." Isaac Watts seems to have a word bearing indirectly on the matter:

"Were I so tall to reach the pole,  
Or grasp the ocean with my span,  
I might be measured by my son:  
The Mind's the standard of the man."

To-day's Poem.

(Wasteful Woman.)

An, wasteful woman—she that

may

On her sweet self set her own

price,

Knowing he cannot choose but

pay—

How has she sharpened Para-

dise!

How given for naught her price-

less gift!

How spoiled the bread and

spilled the wine,

Which spent with due respective

thrift.

Had made brutes men, and men

divine!

—Coventry Patmore.

## WEATHER CALENDAR

## FEBRUARY 19.

1711. This proved a terrible rainy day, which prevented my walk into the city, and I was only able to run and dine with my neighbour Vanhommingh. . . . This evening was fair, and I walked a little in the Park, till Prior made me go with him to the Smyrna Coffee-house.—Swift.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL

T. T. exchange on London is 2/46; on Shanghai 70.

A Chinese girl was injured through being accidentally knocked down by a motor-car near the Tai Ping theatre, yesterday.

"The Silver Wolf" for February again recounts in interesting fashion the doings of the Boy Scouts Association of Hongkong.

Stating that he had been assailed by two compatriots at Praya East, a ticket-collector employed by the Tramway Co. was sent to hospital with an injured leg yesterday.

The Society for the prevention of Cruelty to Animals has rightly earned the regard of true lovers of animals and for the quiet way in which the Society goes about its work of correction. Its expenses are necessarily heavy and to meet them it has recourse to an annual ball, February 29 is the date of the next one and as this is Leap Year the ball should take on an added interest. It is to be held in the City Hall and as a few tickets remain, there is still an opportunity for those who have not yet obtained them to apply for one or more. In so doing they assist a most deserving society and themselves to a very pleasant evening.

Orders for two large new passenger steamers of approximately 5,000 tons, each fitted with all the latest modern improvements have been placed by the Canadian Pacific with John Brown and Co. of Clydebank. These steamers are for the Canadian Pacific British Columbia Coastal Service, and will operate between Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle. They will have accommodation for 325 night passengers, and will cost in the neighbourhood of £300,000 each. The new vessels are to be ready and in service by the spring of 1925. This order will bring the amount spent by the Canadian Pacific on the Clyde to over £21,000,000 sterling.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald received the Chinese Charge d'Affaires at the Foreign Office yesterday morning, states a Reuter cable from London.

According to a Reuter cable from London, the Prince of Wales has recovered from his broken collar bone. Yesterday he attended a football match between Tottenham Hotspur and the Oxford University in aid of the Tottenham Hospital. His right arm was still in a sling. He was given an ovation by the crowd.

Lieut. Donald J. G. Watkinson, one of the officers to lose his life in the ill-fated L24, was 24, and an old St. Paul's School boy, joining the Navy in 1918. After the war Lieut. Watkinson went to China in the "Curlew," and then to Turkey in the "Centaur." In December he was at the School of Instruction for Submarines. This was Lieut. Watkinson's first cruise in a submarine.

Shipping and Engineering (Shanghai) announces the death of an old China coaster, Captain Spencer Wilde, late of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd., at the age of 60. The sad event took place in England on January 22. The deceased, who was well-known on the China Coast, joined the Indo-China Company in 1881 at the age of 26, and retired in 1917, after thirty-six years' of good service.

A Reuter cable from Washington states that Senator Greene's condition is critical. Senator Greene, while walking on Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, in the company of his wife, was wounded in the head during a duel between prohibition agents and bootleggers. The bullet which struck him did not remain in his head. It caused a slight fracture in the region of the frontal bone.

A wedding of more than usual interest was solemnized on Friday, February 8, in the British Legation Chapel in Peking, when Miss Eileen Mary Summers, daughter of Mr. H. D. Summers, of the Directorate-General of Posts of Peking, and Mrs. Summers, became the bride of Mr. W. V. B. Hughes, British Vice-Consul at Shanghai and son of the late Rev. W. B. Hughes and Mrs. M. J. Hughes of Llanishen. The civil ceremony was held in the morning at the British Consulate, with Mr. W. P. Turner as officiating Consul, and the church service at two o'clock in the afternoon in the Legation Chapel, with the Right Rev. Bishop Norris of North China officiating.

## TROUBLESOME COUGHS

A troublesome, sleep disturbing night cough can be easily and pleasantly stopped by taking Olibanum and rough Remedy. It will like the common cold, bring on a fit of fits, and an inflammation of the lungs, and the patient will, with the troublesome cough, be stopped. For this everywhere.

## WHAT WILL WIN?

## TO-MORROW'S RACE MEETING.

## LATEST PREDICTIONS UNCERTAIN.

## ADVERSE WEATHER HAMPERS TRAINING.

Unusual conditions—different from anything within recent memory—have rendered it difficult, if not dangerous, to attempt anything in the way of predicting favourites for the various races in the first day's programme, which will be carried out to-morrow.

Of primary importance, the weather has been far from what trainers have desired. In the earliest stages the track was on the hard side; then at a critical stage, it has rained on and off so that up to yesterday, the outer course had been open only once. To add to the confusion, a number of tracks have either gone off or pulled up lame. A few that crooked some time back are expected to have sufficiently recovered to be saddled to-morrow.

Mud on the lower parts of the outer (or actual racing) track is inches deep while jockeys and riding-boys have, to put it mildly, expressed their disapproval, especially after some of them have had tumbles.

Only 'very exceptional' ponies can put up anything like identical performances on both soft and hard going. Some stables which have been able to retain the services of various jockeys, have not yet decided as to which ponies will be sent out for the individual races, hence the difficulty in drawing up a fabulated list of probables. On the other hand, some of the jockeys have several choices in more than one race and have not quite decided which to take. All will depend on the weather at noon to-morrow.

On one point critics seem to be fairly unanimous—that is the unsuitability of the three big griffins, Dark Mouse, Baronsfield and Gorgeous Dahlia, to the twists and turns of the Hongkong race-course. Baronsfield was reported 'off' at one time and has since been seen out galloping but it is generally conceded that the others in his stable are his superiors. Dark Mouse is stated in one quarter to have shown himself most adaptable to the turns but he has not upheld the reputation he came with. Stories galore are associated with Sir Paul's strapping grey, these ranging from a strained shoulder to being quite fit. Little has been seen of him by early birds who line the rails, it being said that he must be galloped at two in the morning. Jockeys Arrive.

At four o'clock yesterday afternoon, four more jockeys arrived from Shanghai, these being Messrs. Hill, Moller, Knoll and Bauld. Mr. Hill will ride principally for Messrs. Morris and Marshall and Mr. Moller will carry Sir Paul's colours together with Messrs. Burkhill and Vida who are already here. Mr. Knoll has come for Mr. Henry Humphreys and Mr. Bauld will steer the mounts of a number of 'small owners.' Mr. Brand, who is just as well-known for his prowess here as in Shanghai, is to don the colours of Messrs. Stephen and Stitt. Nearly all of the local riders who have ridden in last season's gymkhana, will have mounts, amongst these being Mr. Matcham for Mr. Dyer's stable, Mr. Soares for Mr. Carroll, Mr. Charles for Sir Paul's, Mr. Zelensky for Ewo and Mr. Gibson and Mr. Seth. To-morrow's Races.

Of importance in that it is supposed to give an indication of 'what's what' in the Derby, is the Trial Plate, 1½ miles, for griffins. Here it should be mentioned that in previous years, the Trial Plate winner has, on occasions, not been placed in the big event. Two 'chiefs' in Tytan and Fijian are recalled in this respect although the latter won the Maiden Stakes of ¾ mile. The Racing Stakes of 1 mile is open to ponies which have never won an official race and griffins and a few Derby probables may be kept for this race as the most suitable jockey may not be available earlier in the day.

'Old' ponies will comprise the majority of the field in the Victoria Stakes of 1 mile, the Foo-chow Cup of 2 miles and the Jockey Club Stakes of 1½ miles. The first and third are considered

## BEAUTY POISON.

## WOMAN'S SIX YEARS' ILLNESS.

An extraordinary case of a woman who was made ill for six years by the habitual use of a frothy cream is recorded by two German physicians, Dr. Alexander and Dr. K. Mendel.

She went from one physician to another complaining of headaches, pain in the back, dragging pains in the limbs, sleeplessness

## CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL

## UNIVERSITY HONOURS MARKS ITS PROGRESS.

## MR. IRVING'S FAREWELL.

The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education attended his last prize distribution in Hongkong this morning. Giving out the awards at the Central British School (Kowloon), he congratulated the school on its excellent progress, stating that he found nothing at all to criticize this year. The school's University successes were an indication of the great improvement in the work mainly due to the hard-working staff and the undoubted zeal of the students. The Central British School, now, continued Mr. Irving, had as strong a staff as any in the Colony. He hoped that in the near future, its success would be marked by the erection of brand new building.

On the platform with the Hon. Mr. Irving were Lady Stubbs, Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh, Mr. E. Ralphs, the Reverends Mr. Linday (St. Andrew's), Mr. Copley Mayle (St. John's Cathedral) and Mr. Johnstone (Union Church). Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale, and Mr. E. Wylie.

Before the distribution of prizes, Mr. G. Nightingale, the Headmaster, presented the annual report which read as follows:—

In his report the Headmaster (Mr. G. F. Nightingale) said:—

A brief review of the growth of this school will be interesting.

In September, 1919, there were 61 children on the Roll in Classes,

1-8 and Kindergarten. In February, 1921, the numbers had increased to 144 and we were in a seriously congested condition,

cloak rooms and common rooms being used as class rooms.

The removal of the Junior School to Gun Club Hill relieved this con-

gestion and we were left with an attendance of 86 at the Senior School.

Again the numbers increased and in 1922 two extra class rooms were built to meet our requirements.

One of these new class rooms was required for a Physics laboratory, and as the

numbers had again increased it was decided this year to build six new class rooms in the play-

ground.

In November this school became the Central British School.

Attendance Good.

In 1923 the school was open on 198 days. In January there were 91 children on the Roll, in December 116. The average daily attendance in January was 86, in December 107.

The attendance at school

on the whole was good in spite of absences due to malaria and dengue fever, and the absence of some children during the wet season.

There were very few cases of children being kept from school for trivial reasons. In most cases of slight derangements I received a note from the parents stating that their children were not well and requesting that they might be allowed to go home if they were unable to continue their work at school.

This is an excellent state of affairs and shows that most of the parents here realize the value of regular and punctual attendance at school.

Parental Co-operation.

I wish all parents to understand that I am always pleased to meet them at the School to discuss questions relating to their children and to show them the School and the work done. They should

realize that, for the efficient working of a school and the success of the pupils, something more than the teaching of the staff is required—the active co-operation

of the parents. If they will trust us implicitly and realize that we

give of our best to their children, and if they will refrain from criticizing the School and the children, then the future work of the School will be even better than it is to-day.

University Successes.

13 boys and 10 girls were examined by the Hongkong University and of these 8 boys and 1 girl matriculated, C. Evans and W. Jenner gaining distinctions in English. C. Evans being awarded the Montargis French Prize. 1 boy and 3 girls passed the Senior Local Examination. M. Whitley gaining distinction in Drawing.

6 boys and 4 girls passed the Junior Local Examination. A. Hill gaining distinctions in Arithmetic, English and Drawing. S. Whitley in English and C. MacArthur in Drawing. Thus 78 per cent. of the candidates passed, 3 distinctions being gained.

Although it should be included in the report for the year 1923, I must announce that two of the boys who passed the Matri-

culation Examination in November, W. Jenner and C. Evans are now at the University taking the Engineering course. They were granted scholarships by Sir Paul Chater. One girl, Elsa Bell, was awarded an Education Scholarship at the University. They are the first pupils from this school to enter the institution.

and we are confident that with

the progress there will be even greater success.

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University Successes.

Parents can help us by taking an active interest in their children's work, whether done at home or at school, by inspecting their books and by insisting on a methodical preparation of home work.

Staff Changes.

There were several additions to the staff during the year. In May Mr. Rowell came to take charge of Physics and Chemistry, and Mr. Reeve was transferred from Queen's College in December.

Mrs. Meacock joined us in September, Miss Dyer, the Physical Instruction Mistress, in June, and Miss Thompson, who came to us from Beaufort's School and has charge of the Senior Geography, Nature Study and Singing, in December.

The Rev. Noel Evans was transferred to Queen's College in May and Mrs. Hall resigned in December.

The school buildings were repainted during the summer holidays and new equipment provided. Alterations were effected in the new class rooms to improve the lighting and ventilation.

and general debility. The doctor's diagnosis included rheumatism, neurasthenia, hysteria, and disturbance of the thyroid and other glands.

At last the ointment was suspected and found to contain mercury. In the six years she had rubbed on her face 16 ounces of mercury which had caused chronic poisoning.

It took nearly a month to cover her head after the ointment was removed.

Permission to use the Hall for Divine Service was granted to the Committee of the Union Church.

The School was visited on many occasions by the Director of Education, the Inspector of English Schools, Mr. Wylie, and other members of the Board of Education.

A new School Prospectus was issued in November and gives full information concerning the School.

Children's Health "Excellent."

The health of the children was good. The Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Woodman, who inspected the School in February and October, reported very few cases of defective teeth and eyes.

The following extract from his October report is interesting:

"The general health of the

children is excellent. Four

cases of bad teeth, and two of

Anæmia were found. Gener-

ally speaking the whole of the

children gained in height but,

the younger children gained

very little in weight and several

lost weight which was expected

after the summer. The elder

children, especially the boys,

put on weight and nearly all

had grown over one inch in the

eight months since the last

examination. One boy had

grown three inches and gained

sixteen pounds. The general

appearance of the children is

much more healthy after the

hot weather than would be

expected. In several cases where

it was the children's first sum-

mer in Hongkong there were

slight signs that they had felt

the hot weather more than

those who had been out

longer."

Study of English.

Steady progress is being made

in the study of English.

English, as a school subject, must include

the learning of set books, the

reading, in school and at home,

of various plays, poetry, essays, etc.,

the teaching of reading aloud,

and the encouragement of

original composition. The more

one can read the better. The real

aim of the teaching of English is

to help boys and girls to acquire

style, accuracy in thinking, and a

real love of the subject. More

and better books are being read

by the senior classes here and the

nucleus of a real Library of

Standard works has been formed.

In 1924 we shall have a number

of supplementary Readers in each

Class.

Annual Examination.

In the Annual School Examina-

tion held in November the per-

centage of marks required for

promotion was raised in all

classes. The high percentage re-

quired will ensure a higher stand-

ard of work throughout the School

and will reduce the number of

those who, as in the past, are con-

tent to "just scrape through" the

examinations. The pupils will be

interested to know that we pro-

pose to impose a still higher

standard for promotion at the

end of the School Year, in Novem-

ber next, and that preparatory to

this all who fail to pass the Mid-

summer Examination in July

next will be demoted to a lower

class.

The results of the Annual

Examination were satisfactory.

Great improvement was shown in

English subjects, especially in

Composition and Literature. The

results of the examination in

Algebra and Geometry, subjects

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### NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR INSTALLED.

The fourteenth congregation of the University of Hongkong held yesterday afternoon, was a unique occasion in that there were present all three Vice-Chancellors who have held office—the Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Eliot, G.C.M.G., the University's first Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Brunyate, K.C.M.G., who has just relinquished the Office, and Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E. who has just been appointed.

In recognition of their valuable services both of the former Vice-Chancellors were given the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, the proceedings being marked by great enthusiasm.

The new Vice-Chancellor, during the course of his inaugural address, made the announcement, which was received with loud applause, that the Rockefeller Foundation had made a further gift of a quarter of a million dollars for the endowment of a University Chair in Surgery and a Chair in Medicine.

There was a large gathering present when the procession entered the Great Hall of the University. Included in the procession were the following:

His Excellency The Chancellor, The Mace Bearer.

H. E. Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Eliot, G.C.M.G., Sir William Brunyate, K.C.M.G.

The Vice-Chancellor Designate, The Treasurer.

The Dean, Medical Faculty, The Dean, Engineering Faculty.

The Dean, Arts Faculty, The Registrar.

H. E. Sir John Fowler, His Honour Sir William Rees Davies, Rt. Reverend Bishop of Victoria, Hon. Sir Claud Severn.

Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Hon. Mr. C. Mcl. Messer.

Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood.

Mr. Hon. H. E. Pollock, Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen.

Mr. Hon. H. E. A. Irving, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holroyd.

Mr. Hon. Chow Shou-sun, Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.

Mr. Hon. A. R. Lowe, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotwell.

Mr. C. W. McKenney, Mr. G. T. Edkins.

Mr. C. Montague Ede, Rev. T. W. Pearce.

Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Chau Siu-ki.

Mr. S. W. Tsoi, Mr. Ho Koon-tong.

Mr. Ho Kwong, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.

Dr. R. M. Gibson, Mr. M. P. Talati.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Mr. J. R. Wood.

Mr. Mok Kon-sang, Mr. Fung Ping-shan.

Professor H. G. Earle, Professor W. Brown.

Professor F. A. Redmond, Professor G. T. Byrne.

Professor C. Y. Wang, Professor R. K. M. Simpson.

Professor M. H. Roffey, Professor J. L. Shellshar.

Professor J. Anderson, Professor L. Forstet.

Dr. G. M. Harston, Dr. C. Forsyth.

Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Rev. C. B. Shann.

Rev. J. Romanis Lee, Mr. D. W. Morley.

Mr. A. H. Fenwick, Dr. G. H. Thomas.

Mr. Lai Hsi-chi, Mr. Au Tai-tin, Dr. J. Fenton, Mr. A. S. Heit.

The Late Mr. Chan Kang-yu.

The Chancellor (Sir Edward Stubbins, K.C.M.G.), having declared the congregation opened, expressed the deep regret with which the Court and Senate of the University had received the news of the sudden death on Saturday from heart failure of Mr. Chan Kang-yu, who was one of the six original members of the Court of the University. The Chancellor spoke of the good work Mr. Chan Kang-yu had done for the University, and tendered to the family, on behalf of the University, an expression of their sincerest condolences in the great loss they had sustained.

The Registrar (Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh) read the resolution of appointment of Mr. William Woodward Hornell, C.I.E., as Vice-Chancellor, and His Excellency invited Mr. Hornell to take his seat as Vice-Chancellor of the University, the undergraduates showing their approval with loud and sustained cheers.

New Vice-Chancellor's Address.

The new Vice-Chancellor was received with cheers on rising to deliver his inaugural address. He said:

Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen, it is fitting, and wholesome that my first act as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hongkong should be to present for honorary degrees my two eminent predecessors. (Applause).

It is fitting because the recognition of those who have gone before is one of the great traditions of English Colleges and Schools. Let us praise famous men and our fathers that begat us. It is wholesome—an act of salutary discipline, because, merely to

to that result. Sir William has visited many places in China as the University's representative.

Sir William Brunyate's is a great record of service and devotion. How great, no one is in a better position to appreciate than is he who has been called upon to follow in his footsteps.

India and China.

Here I would fain have done, but this is an inaugural address. The best years of my life have been spent in India and I have an aching love for that wonderful, though heart breaking land. The India to which I came in 1902 as a boy straight from Oxford was a very different place from the India which I left last month. During those twenty years has spread throughout almost every strata of India's population an intense feeling of national consciousness. The feeling is as complex as the inspirations which it engenders are manifold and vague. Ask the educated Indian what he wants, he cannot tell you. But he is acutely sensitive of his prestige as an Indian and morbidly anxious that India should play a dignified part on the stage of the civilized world. But national character is an abiding product of a nation's past, and national progress is a process of evolution, not of sudden transformation. To many a Britisher who has given his life to serve India in the last twenty years has brought disillusion. One lesson at least I have learnt, and that is that an imported educational system cannot bear fruit, unless it be grafted on to the national traditions of the country to which it is brought. (Applause).

The last 20 years have seen even a greater upheaval in China, but the Chinese character survives. In spite of the tremendous traditions of India, the Chinese mind seems to hold more securely than does the Indian to what is abiding in its own wonderful heritage and thus to be more capable of assimilating what it must learn from the West. I shall be surprised, for example, if I find that the education of Chinese girls—a development which has begun and which is an essential condition of any genuine progress—is accompanied with the same social and domestic difficulties which beset this innovation in India. Heaven forbid that I, who have been a few days only in China, should dogmatize about these matters; I have tried to understand the Indians with whom I was brought into contact and I do want to try and understand the people whose sons and daughters will come to the University, to realize what they feel, what they hope and what they dread. (Applause).

Of one thing I am absolutely convinced, and that is that the University of Hongkong is an instrument of salvation fraught with immense possibilities for good.

Educational Statesmanship.

Mr. H. A. L. Fisher recently published an article on Education and the Empire, at the end of which he set out the four most important tasks which now, as it seems to him, confront the educational statesmanship of the British Empire. One of these tasks is the strengthening of the Art Faculties in the Universities



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## CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL

(Continued from page 5.)

Many books were added to the library during the year through the generosity of St. George's Society, and many friends of the School who also supplied magazines and illustrated papers. Illustrations and extracts from these were regularly posted on the notice boards. Letters were received from children in other parts of the Empire and answers were sent.

## Plenty of Sport.

The Committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club, with their usual generosity and readiness allowed us to play cricket matches on their ground. Inter-House matches and a match with Queen's College were played. In the playground we had cricket nets and matting, and cricket practice took place every day. The Fives Court was used during the cool months, and basket ball also was played. Hockey and Football were the favourite games. Tennis was popular, especially among the girls. I hope that the part of the playground reserved for tennis will be returned so that, although our playing area is much reduced, we may be able to arrange cricket, tennis and basket ball practice on the ground.

Two periods a week—altogether 4½ hours—are devoted to Physical Drill, Boxing and Singlestick under Sergeant Marriott. Swimming was very popular during the summer months, and our thanks are due to the President and Committee of the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club for

allowing us to use their bathing beach three times a week. Our Annual Bathing picnic to Castle Peak took place on Empire Day.

The Harbour Race for Ladies was, for the third year in succession, won by a girl attending the Central British School. The 100 yards (Ladies) Championship of the Colony was won by an old pupil, and the two lengths Championship (boys under 12 years of age) was won by a boy in Class 6.

Mr. Ray of the Coronet Theatre and the Manager of Pathé Frères both exhibited a series of Educational films in the Hall to the pupils and their parents. The question of the use of films in Education has received very serious attention at home, where already many films on Natural History, Science and Geography have been shown.

We held our Annual Fancy Dress Dance in December.

I wish to express my appreciation of the loyal and enthusiastic support I received from the staff throughout the year. I also thank all those who have donated prizes, and Mr. Irving for so kindly coming here to-day.

Tribute to Mr. Irving.

This will be Mr. Irving's last prize-giving in Hongkong, and it is fitting that his last school function should be the prize-giving at this school. The British children of this Colony owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Irving who has accomplished before leaving the Colony what I know has for many years been his desire, the founding of a Central Secondary School for British children.

Thanks to Mr. Irving it is now no longer necessary that British children should be sent home to be educated, for the Central British School is quite worthy

KOCHOW ASHORE.  
WEST RIVER STEAMER STRANDED.

West River steamers have brought in a report that the ss. "Kochow," one of the best-known vessels on the Hongkong-Wuchow run, is ashore on the banks of the river near Kaikong. The "Kochow" was on a down trip with cargo and passengers from Wuchow and the river had risen about ten feet with a strong current. It is stated that in trying to keep too close to the banks the "Kochow" was carried slightly out of her course till she grounded.

A sister ship, the "Taiming" was despatched to the scene to tow the "Kochow" off but her efforts were, at the time of the report, of no avail.

Wuchow steamers are now getting a fair amount of freight and the temporary loss of the "Kochow's" services has caused more than a little inconvenience to shippers and traders.

Inquiries were made at the Kwong Ying Co., agents for the "Kochow" by the *China Mail* when it was gathered that the ship is embedded several feet in the river-bank at Bak Ngai, near Shamshui Po. The "Taiming," "Kwong Ying" and "Wo Kwei" all passed hawsers to the vessel and attempted to tow her but in each case the wire-ropes snapped.

All the cargo except a shipment of firewood, has been transhipped for Hongkong by the "Sing On," and the several hundred passengers have returned to Hohau.

The Kwong Ying Co. states that its information is that the grounding is due to fog.

The Company expects that it will take some time to get the "Kochow" off.

Last week 74 cases of smallpox were reported and there were 20 deaths from the disease. Thirteen fresh cases were notified yesterday.

During the past few days, the Thams has risen rapidly, measurements showing the water more than 30 feet above the summer level. Bunglow-dwellers on the banks are becoming apprehensive, but for the moment there is no danger of their residences being flooded.

drawbacks due to climate, compares favourably with secondary schools at home.

You will all join with me in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Irving many years of happy retirement.

Prize List.—Government Scholarships.—Class 1, E. A. Blackwell; Class 2, A. Hill; Class 3b, J. Maycock; Class 3g, A. Smyth; Class 4, K. Hammond; Class 5, R. Woolley; Class 6b, A. Mitchell; Class 6g, E. Mead.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company's Scholarships.—W. Jenner and E. Bell.

J. R. M. Smith Scholarship.—D. Lyon and J. Stewart.

Montargis French Prize.—C. Evans.

Wylie Composition Prize.—W. Jenner.

War Memorial Prize.—C. Evans.

The Bishop of Victoria's Prize for Scripture.—(Senior Local).—D. Lyon.

Rev. Copley Moyle's Prize for Scripture.—(Junior Local).—T. Whitley.

Head Master's Prize for Mathematics.—(Matriculation).—E. Bell.

Mr. H. C. L. Dowbiggin's Prize for History.—D. Ellis.

Mr. G. G. Wood's Prize for English.—(Senior Local).—D. Lyon.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's Prize for English.—(Junior Local).—A. Hill.

Mr. W. G. Wheller's Prize for Arithmetic.—(Junior Local).—A. Hill.

Mrs. Nightingale's Prizes for Writing.—J. Raven and E. Mead.

Mr. H. B. Mould's Prizes for Woodwork.—Class 3, J. Maycock; Class 4, D. Davidson.

Mr. W. G. Wheller's Prize for Arithmetic.—(Junior Local).—A. Hill.

Class Prizes for General Proficiency.—Class 1, C. Evans; Class 2, A. Hill; Class 3b, J. Maycock; Class 3g, B. Barth; Class 4, K. Hammond; Class 5, R. Woolley; Class 6b, A. Mitchell; Class 6g, A. MacArthur.

Matriculation.—C. Evans (Distinction in English), W. Jenner (Distinction in English), E. Bell (Distinction in Drawing).

Senior Locals.—E. Barth, D. Ellis, D. Lyon, P. Whitley (Distinction in Drawing).

Junior Locals.—G. Bond, A. Hill (Distinction in English, Drawing and Arithmetic), K. Jenner, L. Joseph, C. MacArthur (Distinction in Drawing), J. Stewart, B. Tarrant, D. Whillshire, S. Whitley (Distinction in English), J. White.

Chaplets were raised for the visitors, the Headmaster and the students.

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## OBITUARY.

MR. L. SANDERCOCK.

Peking, January 6.—Many sincere friends throughout China will learn with deep regret of the sudden death of Mr. L. Sandercock of the Maritime Customs, which occurred in unusually sad circumstances.

Mr. Sandercock, who has recently been stationed at Mukden as Commissioner, went to Shanghai with his wife and children and saw them off at Engulian at a holiday. Mr. Sandercock took the train from Shanghai with the intention of returning to his post at Mukden, but, before reaching Tsinan, he suddenly died. It is believed that perplexity was the cause of death. The body was taken off the train at Tsinan, by the orders of Mr. Tours, British Consul-General there.

It is not known whether the telegram announcing Mr. Sandercock's death will reach Mrs. Sandercock at Hongkong. The death occurred on the 14th instant.—*Reuters' Pacific Service*.

MR. H. C. EMERY.

Peking, February 7.—A telegram received in Peking today, conveyed the sad news that Mr. Henry C. Emery, formerly manager of the Am. Banking Corporation at Peking, died of double pneumonia on board ship between Shanghai and Kobe and was buried at sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery were in Peking recently and left here to return to their home in New York. Last year Mr. and Mrs. Emery made a long tour through Mongolia. During several years' residence in Peking they made numerous friends in North China to whom this news will come as a severe shock.—*Reuters' Pacific Service*.

MR. JOHN KAVANAGH.

Smallpox claimed another victim in the Shanghai foreign community when Mr. John M. Kavanagh, young accountant of the British Cigarette Company, died after an illness of but a few days.

Mr. Kavanagh, was only 26 years old. He had been a resident of Shanghai only since last November, coming from Manila. He was a native of Australia and is survived by his mother, a brother and a sister in Sydney. He went to Manila three years ago and was for a time connected with the firm of Smith Bell & Co., Ltd. Later he went into business for himself, and came to Shanghai last November, joining the B.A.T.

## NEARER TO THEE, O GOD!

(A Dedication.) What in me is dark illumine. What is low, raise and support. That to the height of this great argument I may assert eternal providence And justify the ways of God to men.

—Milton.

The green-clad ways of each grass-blade. Up to man from Your greatness wrought. Are friends in the vaults of an earth-bed, When extinction and death consort.

But when life seemed a maddening maelstrom And solitude fell to my lot, Then earth-ways were made a bit sweeter—

I was nearer to Thee, O God!

When I stood on the highways of sorrow And dream-castles went back to the sod, Then I pledged all my faith on that morrow When I'll be nearer to Thee, O God!

When I dwelt on the alleys of error And my pains seemed a chastening rod— Then when death had lost all of its terror, I was nearer to Thee, O God!

I'm in a school of things unreal Where lessons of grief I am taught— Though waves buffet me, I'll be near.

And verge nearer to Thee, O God! When I leave all these streets of illusion These by-paths of wrong, souls I have trod—

I shall seek no other delusion— For I'll be nearer to Thee, O God!

Though my sins exact retribution While my good find here no reward.

It shall earn divine compensation When I'm nearer to Thee, O God!

H. M. Silva.

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## A Word to the Staff.

This leads me to a word which I venture to say in conclusion to the staff. "Education," to quote Mr. Fisher again, "is a very human thing, depending upon the shock of mind upon mind, of character upon character. Expensive buildings, elaborate equipment, brilliantly organised administration, all these things have their value, but the value is secondary. If the teachers are efficient, the education will be good; if they are stupid and low minded, the most elaborate apparatus in the world will not prevent the educational system of the country from being a hollow sham."

I know the difficulties of those who come from Europe to be University teachers in the East. The atmosphere is not here. The University teacher is everywhere a poor man, and a good bank balance means much in the East, where life is precarious and one is far from home. Work is a strain because all the stimulus has to come from within, and really recreative holidays are difficult to arrange. University teaching tends rather to isolate a man from his fellows, and loneliness is difficult to bear in the Club-loving East. All this I know, but you know also the immense possibilities which lie before you. Many eminent British statesmen have worked in Calcutta, but among the Britishers who have shaped the destinies of Bengal two stand out as probably the most prominent—after Warren Hastings, one is David Hare, a watchmaker who devoted himself and all he had to the teaching of Bengalee boys; the other is Alexander Duff, the great Scottish Missionary Teacher. In the name of the University of Hongkong and all that it means to each one of you, I ask for your friendship and your help, and I know that I do not ask in vain. (Cheers.)

Great enthusiasm was shown when the new Vice-Chancellor, Sir Charles Eliot, presented Sir Charles Eliot and Sir William Brumby for the degree of Doctor of Laws (*Honoris Causa*), much cracker firing and cheers accompanying the conferment. It was some little time before Sir Charles Eliot, who first replied, could make himself heard.

## Sir Charles Eliot.

Sir Charles Eliot said: Your Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, I confess that my feelings to-day, though very pleasant, are somewhat strange, standing here as I do as the recipient of an honour for which I have so often presented worthier persons than myself. It is a very remarkable and interesting coincidence that three Vice-Chancellors should be present here to-day—(cheers)—and I only regret the absence of the kindly figure of Dr. Jordan, who acted as Vice-Chancellor for so long an interim. Certainly, I have seen very great changes since I first visited the site of this University. The first time I came here was in the autumn of 1911, when Sir Frederick Lugard, our true founder, took me to see the work in progress at that time. All these buildings where we are now were then simply a mass of scaffolding. Then, before a year had passed, I came here in 1912 as the first Vice-Chancellor, and in October of that year, with a very small staff, including Professor Middleton Smith and Professor Hinton and one or two others, we opened the first session of the University. At that time the students were lodged in the buildings in which we are now, and above the University path there was a wild thicket in which could be seen slightly rising the first beginnings of Lugard Hall. (Applause). Now, when I come to-day, I find a well-ordered if somewhat restricted park. I think I had better not say anything about the buildings, not because I do not admire them, but because in every well-regulated University it is the practice to say that the accommodation is totally inadequate. I have learnt with very great pleasure and I congratulate Mr. Hornell that on the very day he has taken over the duties of Vice-Chancellor of the University, a new donation of considerable magnitude has been given to the University. (Applause).

## Hotels Extensions.

I venture to congratulate Sir William Brumby upon his most successful administration, and particularly on the restoration of financial order. As for your new Vice-Chancellor, after hearing the most interesting and able address which he has given you, I predict that he will be a great success here and that the University will make further and rapid progress under his administration. (Applause). Advice to Students.

And now, I have only one word to say to the students of this University, who are by far the most important part of the present meeting, and especially the Chinese students. I have said it before very often, and it is substantially the same as Mr. Hornell has said in the course of his address. You are here to acquire the learning of Europe. Do your best to acquire as fully and as thoroughly as you can whatever

branch of literature or science you take up, but do not forget that you are the heirs of an ancient and venerable civilisation—(applause)—of a great literature and most noble art. (Applause). Remember, too, that you can look back to traditions of wise and astute statesmanship, which is sadly wanting at the present day, not only in all China but most other countries as well. (Laughter). Do not forget these things, but let them, in conjunction with the European learning which you acquire here, add purpose and vigour to your future careers. (Cheers).

## Sir William Brumby's Farewell.

Sir William Brumby, who was also received with loud and prolonged applause, said: Your Excellency, Mr. Vice-Chancellor, and the members of the University Court, I am very deeply conscious of the honour you have done me by the degree just conferred upon me, and I am all the more grateful for it because it restores to me the membership of your University, which I lost when the Vice-Chancellor took his seat.

I am very grateful, too, to the Vice-Chancellor for the eulogistic terms in which he has referred to the work I have tried to do for the University during the last three years. I will only say by way of comment that I fear it is a very one-sided picture: he has been kind enough to place to my credit all the results of a great deal of very hard work done by members of the staff of the University—both the teaching and the administrative staff; and also—what I think is a thing I am rather reluctant to hand over to my successor, but I am profoundly glad that it should be there to be handed over.

Of what also am I to speak? I should like to tell you very briefly what it means to a man like myself to be brought out for three years to the Far East. It means, first of all, an opportunity to see, from a view-point which if it is some what detached is none the less a convenient one, something of the workings of this remarkable and important Colony. I speak of the view-point as detached, because one of the first things I noticed was your habit of attaching to each man a label that very much defines his position in the Colony. I was naturally and very properly labelled a Vice-Chancellor, and a Vice-Chancellor, as is well known, is a person set apart for special if somewhat obscure purposes. (Laughter). I very gladly accepted the position, because I do not feel that it would further the interests of the University for its Vice-Chancellor to show an active interest in the public affairs of the Colony. But, having passed twenty years of my working life in the public service, I will not pretend that I have felt no interest in them. I have recently been lecturing on Political Science and I have sometimes wondered whether the great mercantile houses and other like institutions that centre in this city and in Shanghai are not more deserving of a place in such a course than many of the outwork formulae of which one is expected to treat.

## The Future.

As to the future, I feel that it is more than safe in Mr. Hornell's very capable hands. He will, no doubt, take some little time to adjust his standards to our very modest scale after his experience of the University of Calcutta with its 25,000 students. But I can conceive that after the two years of labour spent by him upon the Calcutta University Commission in view of the entirely negative results of the Commission's searching comments of the present methods of that institution, he may not regret finding himself in a less turbulent atmosphere, where decent respect is shown by a Vice-Chancellor to his Chancellor, is not regarded as sycophancy and where, as I can honestly assure him, our students are no less concerned with the acquisition of knowledge than with the passing of examinations. So far, we have not yet erected a pedestal for the "failed B.A."

But in the few minutes at my disposal this afternoon you will not expect me to talk about education. For I have for three years been your principal adviser and so far as I may have failed to carry you with me during that time I can scarcely hope to convince you now. Further, I have handed over to the Vice-Chancellor and, while he knows that he can count on my help to the utmost in any way in which he may ask for it, when I hand over I prefer to hand over without reserve. On only one or two points will I venture to touch.

## Hotels Extensions.

First, then, I should like to associate myself very wholeheartedly with the eloquent plea for the extension of our mission hostels made from this place by Dr. Tsoi few weeks ago. For the moment, I regard those extensions as even more important than the provision of another University Hostel or of the Roman Catholic Hostel that we are hoping, because there is more chance of something being done in that direction before the situation becomes really serious next January. Let me say, Sir, that for the Hongkong Government education students, to whose hard case I referred a few weeks ago, the makeshift provisions have proved possible; they are housed in the old St. Stephen's premises until such time as the purchases shall pull them "down—but I am a coward enough to feel glad that the responsibility

next January will be upon Mr. Hornell and not upon me. (Laughter).

Then, Sir, I should like to pay a very warm and sincere tribute to the real and consistent interest Your Excellency has shown in the affairs of this University throughout the last three years. (Applause). If I may say so without disrespect, association with Your Excellency may sometimes give one a sense of the utility of much of human effort, though that does not necessarily mean that the contact is other than stimulating. But I should like it to be realized that during the period in question Your Excellency has never missed a Council meeting when you have been in the Colony, and that there is no scheme I have put forward until I have been assured of your reasoned concurrence in it. (Applause).

The Rockefeller Foundation.

And, finally, I should like to speak of the pleasure it has been to me to be brought into contact from time to time with the representatives of the Rockefeller Foundation—a matter which arises in connection with the further benefaction just announced by the Vice-Chancellor. I in no way refer to my natural love for benefactors. It is the pleasure that comes from being brought into contact with men of wide experience, who understand one's difficulties, who share our aims and who have no interest to serve other than the progress of medical education. (Applause).

It is a thing I am rather reluctant to hand over to my successor, but I am profoundly glad that it should be there to be handed over.

Of what also am I to speak? I should like to tell you very briefly what it means to a man like myself to be brought out for three years to the Far East. It means, first of all, an opportunity to see, from a view-point which if it is some what detached is none the less a convenient one, something of the workings of this remarkable and important Colony. I speak of the view-point as detached, because one of the first things I noticed was your habit of attaching to each man a label that very much defines his position in the Colony. I was naturally and very properly labelled a Vice-Chancellor, and a Vice-Chancellor, as is well known, is a person set apart for special if somewhat obscure purposes.

(Laughter). I very gladly accepted the position, because I do not feel that it would further the interests of the University for its Vice-Chancellor to show an active interest in the public affairs of the Colony. But, having passed twenty years of my working life in the public service, I will not pretend that I have felt no interest in them. I have recently been lecturing on Political Science and I have sometimes wondered whether the great mercantile houses and other like institutions that centre in this city and in Shanghai are not more deserving of a place in such a course than many of the outwork formulae of which one is expected to treat.

## Political Problems.

I should have liked to touch on some of the political problems of the future, complicated as they must necessarily be by the divided allegiance of the larger part of the population of the Colony. But I am not here to make political speech. May I be allowed, as an old public servant, just to comment on the claim I have often seen that the public service in this Colony should, in all its branches, be managed by experts? Sir, my experience leads me to believe that the training of a body of capable men as administrators is relatively easy, but that there are few greater dangers for a small Colony than that of the second-rate experts.

But an appointment in the Far East gives one also a view of the problems of China, and of these, I can only describe the prospect as a panorama.

As a tribute to many men and women, missionaries, educationalists and others, whom I have met in various parts of China, I should like to bear witness to the whole-heartedness and single-mindedness with which they are pursuing their respective tasks in the midst of China's distracting problems.

Only, would I plead for the extension to the Chinese people of that kindly tolerance with which we habitually think of our own political difficulties and mistakes. Having preached for years that majorities must rule, we no sooner brought a Ministry in office which admittedly has behind it a mere third of the electorate than we proudly point to it as a supreme illustration of "the British spirit of compromise!" Again, I was talking the other day with a prominent resident in the Colony of a nationality not my own, when he observed that China had now been in a state of confusion for a dozen years and it was important that she should settle down. I ventured to ask him whether in his language there was any distinctive name for what we know in England as the "hundred years war." Let me, by all means, do all we can to help a people faced by insuperable problems, but save for the reasonable protection of our own interests, let us abstain from all needless criticism of the handling of what, after all, are their problems and not ours.

One last word as to the trust I have to-day handed on to my successor. I have handed over to him, as I believe, an institution that is

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## DEATH OF A SIAMESE PIONEER.

FORMER HONGKONG RESIDENT.

The death has occurred at Bangkok of Dr. T. Heyward Hays.

Last month he went into the Nursing Home in order to have an operation performed on his neck, says the *Siam Observer*. This was successfully carried out, and in a few days he returned to his home at Bangkok Hospital. But unfortunately, he was compelled to re-enter the Nursing Home for another operation. This took something like an hour and a half, with a local anaesthetic. The patient seemed to bear the operation well, and it was thought that he would make a complete recovery. After two or three days he left the Home, and, unfortunately while he seemed to be recovering from the effect of the operation, he contracted asthma, the direct cause of death. On the Saturday morning he was quite cheerful, and even to within a few hours of the end he chatted with those in attendance. But shortly after six o'clock there was a turn for the worse, and he gradually sank until the end came about eight o'clock.

With the death of Dr. Hays there passes one of the oldest residents of Bangkok, a man who has seen the country develop to its present stage. There have been great changes since the day he first arrived in Bangkok. He has played an outstanding part in the industrial development of the country, which, it can be said without exaggeration, owed to him a debt of gratitude.

He was born in 1854, at Charleston, South Carolina, and, when a boy of about seven years of age heard the first shot at Fort Snelling, one of the most famous places in the American Civil War. After qualifying in his profession—he first came out to Bangkok in 1886 as a member of the Medical Staff of the American Presbyterian Mission, from which he resigned a year later. It was then he joined the Siamese Naval Service as Surgeon. He had charge of Bangkok Hospital—the first hospital to be established in Bangkok—and with the assistance of Mrs. Hays as nurse, did much valuable work.

At one time he also was Medical Adviser to the Railway Department, and at the frequent and earnest solicitations of H. R. H., Prince Damrong, he became Chief Superintendent of Government Hospitals. Since then he has undertaken many responsibilities in the Medical Service and carried out a great deal of important work tending towards the improvement of the medical administration of the country. He also served for some years as Court Physician.

MEDICAL ADVISER.

While Surgeon-General of the Navy, he accompanied the late King Chulalongkorn to Java, and in 1904 proceeded to Japan to meet the present King, then Crown Prince, on his return from Europe.

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A capable man of business, and possessed of great foresight, he early entered into the business life of the community while carrying on his professional duties. He established the British Dispensary, which he carried on for over a quarter of a century before he sold it to the present proprietor.

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All of these companies had the benefit for many years of his ripe experience and his great business ability.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner leave on Saturday for Singapore.

## NOTABLE VISITOR.

Mr. John M. Gardner, the noted American lawyer and writer, arrived in Hongkong from the States a few days ago by the President Cleveland.

Mr. Gardner has been for many years a member of the bar, and is a Chairman of one of their Committees. Mr. Gardner's latest literary work is the "Pharaoh's Resurrected" which was published a few years ago and had an extensive sale in the States. Mr. Gardner

is on a two years tour of the world with his wife, and is at present staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

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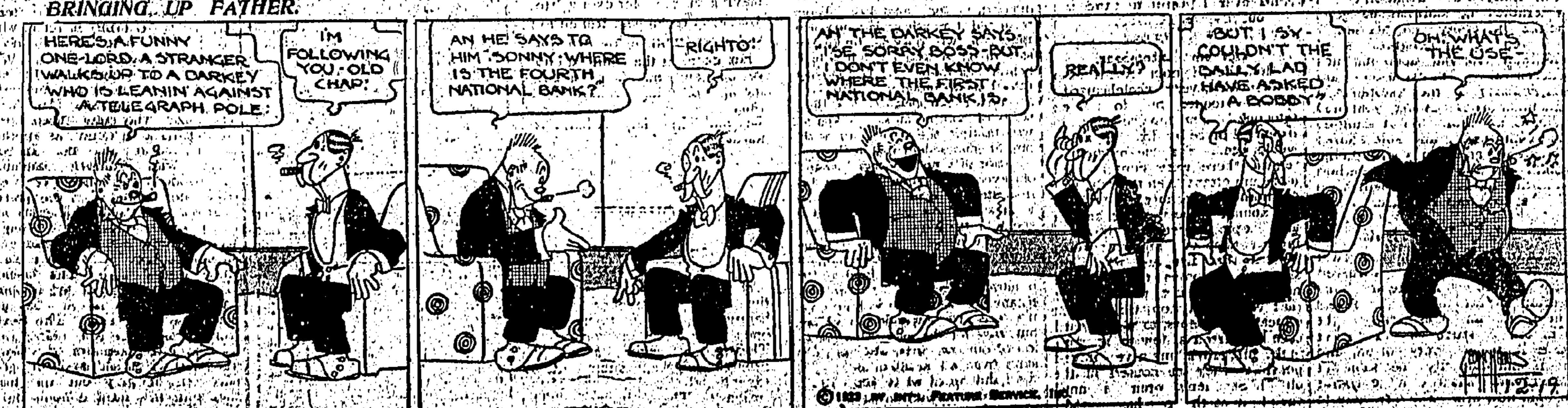


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Cold work in frosty Windsor Great Park at a field day between Eton O.T.C. and the Imperial Service and Beaumont Colleges.



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Members of the Black Watch defending a position with a Lewis gun during Army manoeuvres in Sussex.



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British American Tobacco Co.  
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## Glass Merchants

1. Ling & Co., Glass Merchants,  
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## WEATHER REPORT.

February 19th 11h 30m.—Pressure  
has increased considerably at  
Vladivostock and slightly at  
Chefoo and Haiphong. It has de-  
creased slightly over Formosa and  
is nearly stationary over Kwang-  
tung and the Philippines.

An anticyclone has formed over  
S.E. Mongolia. Gradients are  
shallow over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours  
ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.12 inch.  
Total since January 1st, 4.34 inches.

Average for 2.83 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending  
at 10 a.m. on Feb. 20, 1924.

1. Formosa Channel, N.E. winds,  
moderate.

2. South coast of China, N.E. winds,  
moderate; overcast, rain, fog.

3. Hongkong to Ga Rock. E. winds,  
moderate; overcast, rain, fog.

4. South coast of China, between  
Hongkong and Hainan. E. winds,  
moderate; overcast, rain, fog.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,  
HONGKONG.

## DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

FEBRUARY 19, 1924. a.m.

Wind

Sea Level

Temperature

Humidity

Clouds

Pressure

Wind